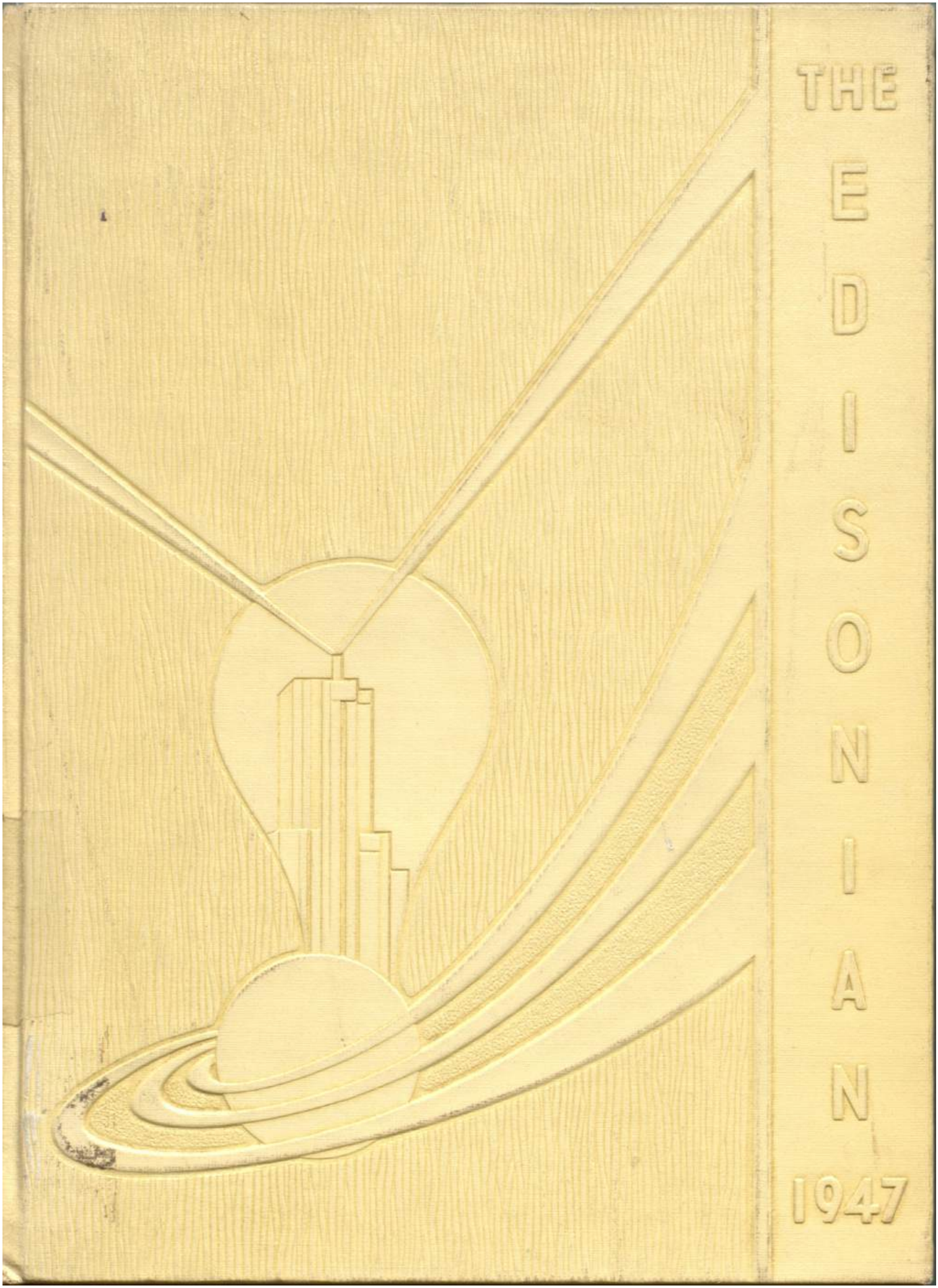
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THOMAS ALVIN EDISON

Pictured above the benign features is a display of the "light he brought to the world."

THOMAS A. EDISON HIGH SCHOOL

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EAST GARY, INDIANA

DEDICATION

Mr. Virgil I. Bailey, who was formerly principal of Edison High School before becoming the first superintendent of public schools in East Gary, has steered and guided Edison High School with his protecting hand the past fourteen years. We shall always be humbly grateful to Mr. Bailey for his unceasing efforts in our behalf and we, the *Edisonian* Staff, respectfully dedicate this volume of our annual, *"The Edisonian."*

History of Edison

The first high school classes in the history of East Gary were organized nineteen years ago in the present Central School Building. Edison High School is still one of the smallest in Lake County, but we have come a long way since that first year and much progress has been made. We have—like all great men and institutions—had our moments of pride and exultation in successful accomplishment and our moments of despair and failure, but Edison High School has never been one to surrender in the face of defeat. The school spirit has always been good and, I am sure, will continue to be the best. Now, let us briefly review the history of the last nineteen years.

Until 1928, when the building of Central School was remodeled, high school students from East Gary were transferred to the Emerson School in Gary. During that year, the first high school classes were organized under

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Kenneth J. Wright, principal, and Harry Condon. The tall flag pole standing in front of Central School Building is a monument to the first high school class organized in East Gary. Harry Condon succeeded Kenneth Wright as principal in 1929, and the tenth grade was added to the school with Hazel Crawford and Hilda I. Eshelman as additions to the faculty—the latter remaining as dean of the girls until 1944.

In 1931, A. E. Steele succeeded Harry Condon as principal, and Ralph E. Napier became the coach of the basketball team. The present high school building was completed and ready for occupancy in January, 1932.

When the eleventh grade was added in 1932, Mary E. Mason and Paul Steele were added to the faculty to become instructors in home economics and industrial arts respectively. In 1933-34, the first senior class in the history of the school proudly laid down the tradition for future graduating classes. Virgil I. Bailey succeeded A. E. Steele as principal in 1933-34, and F. Reeder Stroube was added to the faculty as science teacher and coach—later to succeed Virgil Bailey as principal in 1935-36—when Virgil Bailey was made superintendent of schools. Hazel Hartley joined the faculty in 1934-35 as did our coach, Doyle Baliff. Hilda Woolard, Josephine Chapman, and Harold Miller were also new members of the faculty. Under the direction of Doyle Baliff, our athletic department continued to develop, and East Gary has won a large percentage of her contests in basketball, baseball, and track. The commercial department has been expanded under the direction of Hazel Hartley in order to accommodate every girl desirous of receiving business training. During World War II, many girls who were trained in the commercial department were able to use this training in helping win the war.

Alfred Schara, dynamic teacher of shop and track coach, joined the faculty during 1935-36, as did Elizabeth Mills, Carol Nuss, and Chrystelle Hoar. Viola Englehardt and Galen F. Wenger were employed in 1937-38, the latter doing outstanding work in speech and debate. The year, 1938-39, found Harold F. Weber, Louise Pemberton, and Bruce Brubaker as additions to the faculty. Bruce Brubaker entered the U. S. Navy in 1942 to contribute his part to the winning of World War II. Students and faculty members rejoiced at his return in January, 1946. Mr. Brubaker began his work here without even the nucleus of a band and made remarkable progress, but the fortunes of war were such as to cause much destruction since Mr. Brubaker found his band at a low ebb in 1946 upon his return; however, it is now again on the upturn, and we are sure that we shall see better results once again. Dorcas Anderson and Thelma Carr were new teachers in 1939-40, and the girls' physical education hit an all-time high under the direction of Miss Carr.

In 1940-41, a school library was first organized under the direction of Dana Brown, who continues to watch over and direct the reading of both grade and high school students. Evelyn Leberer finished the year for Thelma Carr, who resigned to accept a position in Michigan.

The first contingent of soldiers from East Gary went away to train for war in January, 1941, and were followed in the next few years by hundreds of former students of Edison High School. To say that we are proud of the records of these young men and women of East Gary is to underestimate our feeling about the matter. Our hearts are, however, saddened by the fact that all who marched away to war did not return as evidenced by the gold stars on our Service Roll. We, hereby, pay tribute to the memory of the following "Sons of Edison" who gave their last full measure of devotion to their Home and Country in World War II:

William Baumeister
Robert J. Bonner
Steve Cwiklinski
Wassel Herbach
Ralph Jacob
John McDaniel
Daniel Pilnoch
Mike Rado

May their devotion to duty ever be an inspiration to the students of Edison High School to strive without ceasing to attain the highest and best that life has to offer!

The progress of our various departments was gradual, yet sure, until being interrupted by the war; but once again, it is settling down to that sure pace which inevitably leads to better things. We have

been handicapped by limited financial resources, but we feel that the increased realization on the part of the public of the needs of our educational system everywhere will certainly open up new resources for the financing of schools throughout our land.

Ruth Nelson, English teacher, was added to the faculty in 1940; Nelle C. Nabhan as home economics and Martha Faught as music and art teachers were employed in 1941. Helen Kurtti and Rosemary Files were employed to fill the music department in 1943-44. They succeeded Eugene C. Teeter, who resigned in 1943 after one year to accept a position in Gary, Indiana. Ernest Turner, Clarence Vanderkolk, and Paul Wagner helped part-time during 1943-44 to keep our shop and science departments open. Lura Wiggins resigned in January, 1944 and was succeeded by Iona Crisman. Judith Rathburn was also new on the faculty in 1943 but served only one year. Tragedy struck still deeper in the spring of 1944 when Hilda I. Eshelman announced that she was resigning to be married.

Mildred Warner Zoss and Vivian Clausen were new in 1944-45, but they resigned after one year. Jesse R. Whitcomb, Frances Whitcomb, and Margaret Ardashier were new members of the faculty in 1945-46; the second semester was made brighter with the return of Bruce Brubaker to take up his duties as band director. Everyone soon learned to love and respect Margaret Ardashier, and she soon became an indispensable part of the faculty.

The year, 1946-47, gave every evidence of better days and every one entered into the new year with high hope and new resolve that everything would be better. W. H. Boomershine, our new high school principal, who is a veteran of World War II, soon made great strides in the reorganization of the school and rapidly brought about many needed changes. Student government was recognized for the first time when John Rossi of the Class of '47 was elected as president of the Student Council after a strongly contested election. New citizenship controls which were introduced by W. H. Boomershine were recognized as being quite fair and were well received by all.

Margaret Ardashier took over the sponsorship of the girls' Sunshine Society, and the boys organized the first Hi-Y in the history of the school under the able leadership of Alfred A. Mendoza, who was employed to reopen the shop for industrial art work, which had been closed for two years. Alfred Mendoza, as well as Mr. Boomershine, was very popular with the students and faculty members from the beginning of the year. Ione Hoffman returned as a full-time teacher and took over the mathematics and science work. Elisabeth Schroder was employed to teach home economics and girls' physical education but resigned at the end of the first semester—much to the disappointment of the girls in her department. Laura Newcomb quickly became one of the group and the girls enjoyed having her as a teacher.

Advanced planning for the school year, 1947-48, brought Albert N. Thom to the faculty at the beginning of the second semester of 1946-47 as head of the social studies department and football coach. Albert Thom is a graduate of Purdue and is an ex-service man, having served with distinction in the Army Air Corps. The boys of Edison look forward to a new era in sports—one that will reach more of the boys than is now possible. Every one seems to be enthusiastic about the possibilities of football. The subject offering in our school has been increased until we have four separate curricula from which students may select their major subjects. We, also, hope in the near future to be able to increase this to five by the completion of a fine arts curriculum.

Increased subject offering makes it possible to serve the needs of our community in a more efficient manner. It also makes it possible for more students to find the thing in which they are most interested and from which they can derive the most benefit. The schedule of classes for the second semester was the best we ever had and gave a greater opportunity for guidance work by the principal than had ever been possible.

We have had nearly five hundred graduates of our high school, including thirty-six ex-servicemen who have received their diplomas, since returning from the service, after they successfully passed the General Educational Development Test prepared by the American Council on Education.

The number of graduates of our high school who have gone into institutions of higher learning has always been quite small, but better financial conditions have increased this number in recent years. We sincerely hope that the number attending college will

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continue to increase in the future until the average student will enter high school with the expectation of going to college. An average scholarship of 85 per cent for four years of high school is required for recommendation for college entrance. This is a "C" average.

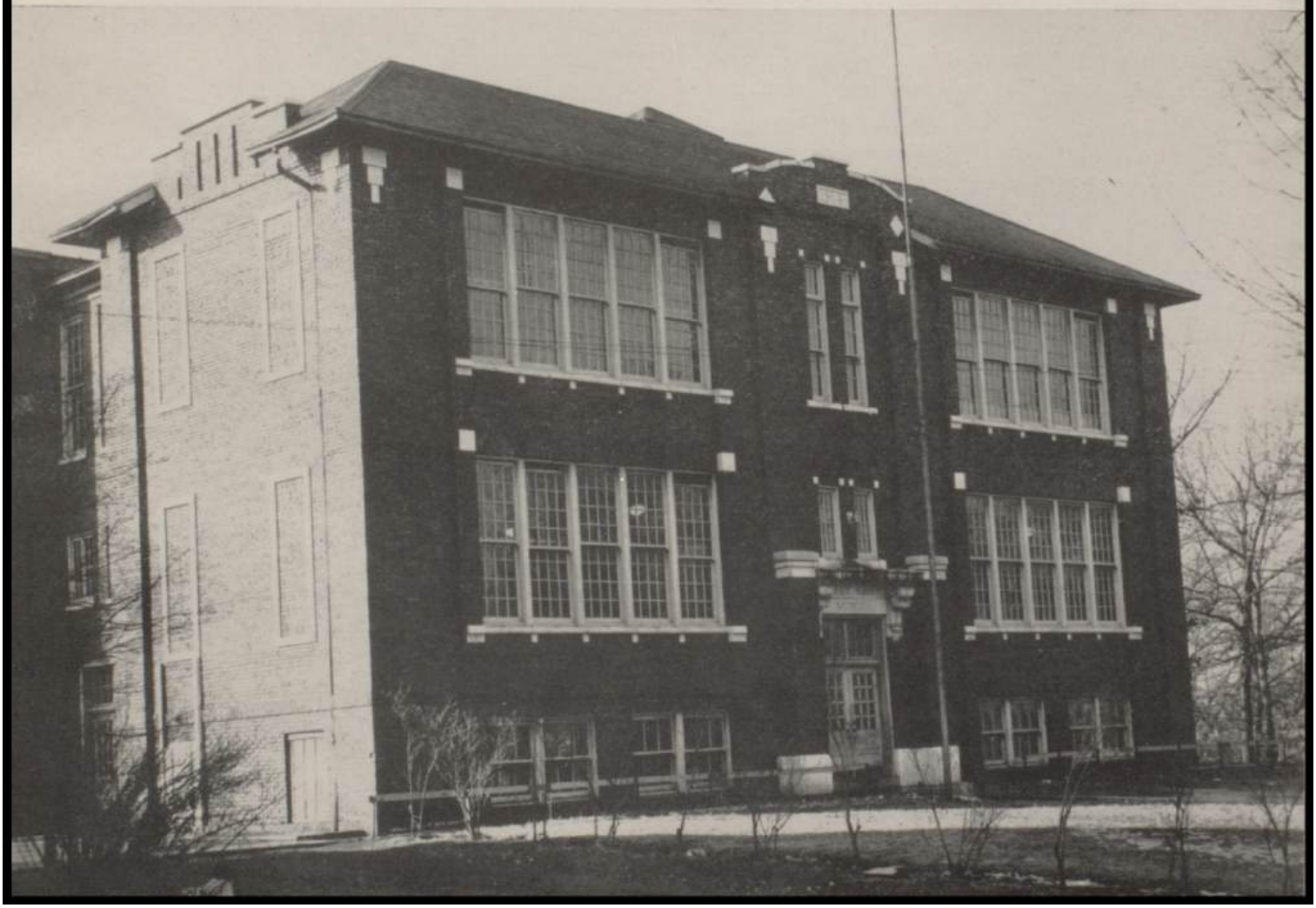
Research studies have shown that there is a definite relation between scholarship and earning ability, therefore, every student should have a definite interest in maintaining a good scholarship record. Too many students in the past have been content to just "GET BY."

The State Legislature of 1935 passed a law making it possible for local governments to levy a tax to establish a building fund to improve local schools. The Board of Education has completed steps to secure the approval of the Indiana State Board of Tax Commissioners to levy one dollar per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for each of five years succeeding the close of the war. The tax has been approved and the first money will be received from this source in 1947.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for additions to Edison Building, and it is hoped that a portion of this construction can be completed in 1948. With additional facilities in the building, a better program can be planned, and East Gary can have a high school that will adequately serve the needs of the community. May we look forward with pleasure to that time and devote our time and energy to the groundwork necessary to the fulfillment of this dream.

In closing, my most sincere wish for Edison High School is that her future record will far outshine her past. To the members of the Class of '47, I extend my heartiest congratulations and best wishes for their success and happiness in life.

VIRGIL I. BAILEY
Superintendent of Schools.



Mr. Bailey's Office

Mr. Boomershine's Office

Virgil I. Bailey
Superintendent of Schools

W. H. Boomershine
Edison High School Principal

John P. Kimmell
President

Board of Education

John B. Jackson
Secretary

Louis H. Dault
Treasurer

ADMINISTRATION

EDISON'S FACULTY

ALFRED A. MENDOZA
Shop
Senior and Hi-Y Sponsor

HAZEL HARTLEY
Business Education
Edisonian, Eagle Feathers, Commercial Club, Sophomore Sponsor, Activities Treasurer

ALBERT THOM
Social Studies
Football Coach

MARGARET ARDASHIER
Music
English
Sunshine Sponsor

BRUCE BRUBAKER
Band
Health
Mathematics
Junior Sponsor

IONA CRISMAN
English
Latin
Play Coach
Eagle Feathers and Junior Sponsor

DOYLE D. BALIFF
Physical Education
Coach
Sophomore Sponsor

DANA BROWN
Science
Science Club and Freshman Sponsor
Librarian

IONE HOFFMAN
Mathematics
Science
Science Club and Freshman Sponsor

ELISABETH SCHRODER
Home Economics
Physical Education
G. A. A. Sponsor
First Semester

LAURA B. NEWCOMB
Home Economics
Physical Education
G. A. A. Sponsor
Second Semester

CLASSES

CLASS OFFICERS: Maureen Sullivan, treasurer; Robert Blaney, president; Mrs. Hoffman, sponsor; Geraldine Jablonski, secretary; William Potts, vice-president; Mrs. Brown, sponsor.

Class of '50

Upon entering Edison High School, the "Guiding Light" of East Gary, on September 3, 1946, the "freshies" were welcomed by the other classes with open arms. The freshmen accustomed themselves quite readily to the changes they had to undergo and, thus, began their preparation for being the future light bearers of East Gary.

The first big event as well as the outstanding event of the year for the "freshies" was the high school dance which they sponsored on November 2. Good music and a brightly decorated gymnasium made the dance a "hit."

Along with the rest of the classes, the freshman class participated in its share of activities during the school year. They became members of the various organizations in school and participated in athletic, musical, and other events of the school.

As the school year came to a close, the freshmen, having successfully mastered their first year of high school life, enrolled for their second year in Edison High.

TOP PICTURE

Top row—William Potts, William Knight, Michael Haburjak, Robert Blaney, June Fleming, Jimmie Metz, David Bersell, Mike Lubeck, Marion Tuthill, Alan Ganz, Walter Fiebelkorn.
Third row—Eileen Crocker, Marlene Scharf, Kathleen David, Geraldine Jablonski, Edna Schulze, Lucille Smith, Fern Humphrey, Mary Louise Owen, Charles Muzio, Donald Gustafson.
Second row—Donald Walker, James Clausen, James Fletcher, Leota Sanders, Mrs. Hoffman, Alan Eberhardt, Raymond Arington.
Front row—Norma Daily, Charlotte Clemens, Evelyn Evans, Denise Nugent, Eleanore Schaffer, Julia Mast, Kay Don Williams, Dale Gross.

LOWER PICTURE

Top row—Thomas Webber, Robert Stegall, Frank Grishka, Helen Maretich, Forrest Jackson, John Pahos, James Webber, Russell Heck, Ruth Parsons, Walter Icenogle, Harold Thews.
Third row—Arnold Barbknecht, Luther Schwager, Neva Cutsinger, Maureen Sullivan, Angeline Appa, Esther Demo, Patsy Lazzaroni, William Ackley, Charles Smith.
Second row—Donald Schleff, George Coffman, Ethel Cook, Mae Leathurby, Mrs. Brown, Joann Harris, Ardella Shaver, Corrine Hazelrigg.
Front row—Patricia Wallace, Harvey Schwartz, Nancy Fejes, Jack Prestrem, Mildred Gray, Sally Fejes, James Hoefflicker, Marilyn Howell.
Not pictured—Ruth Adams, Doris Brown, Norma Smith, Richard Sullivan, Yvonne Taylor.

CLASS OFFICERS: *Top row*—John Krupchak, president; Robert Riley, treasurer. *Front row*—Mr. Baliff, sponsor; Miss Hartley, sponsor; Doris Ray, secretary; Roy Lannom, vice-president.

Class of '49

Having completed the freshman year, the members of the class entered their second year in Edison High as experienced classmen in the art of classroom procedure, study, and school activities; thus, proving that their "torches of knowledge" were shining brighter than the previous year.

A very eventful day for the sophomores was November 16. During the day, thirty-seven members of the class went to Field Museum and the Museum of Science and Industry on a World History Class tour. In the evening the class sponsored a very successful "Hard-Time" dance. Novelty dances—such as the broom dance, the flashlight dance, and the Cinderella dance—were first introduced into Edison. Doris Ray of the class was chosen as the queen of the dance.

Being a group of energetic and enthusiastic students experienced in the art of handling activities during their freshman year, the sophomores were more than ready to sponsor their share of Saturday night dances, shows, and other activities of the school year.

TOP PICTURE

Top row—Anna Borisenko, Helen Kenney, Sharon Carmody, Gerald Vizena, Jesse Hodges, Robert Havrileski, Edward Crystal, James Vogel, Leo O'Connor.
Third row—Mary Lou Krumrie, Patricia Crowley, Grace Ellis, Joan Ginter, Carol Hammond, Joanne Dreyovich, Shirley Smith, Shirley Crumbaugh, Edward Meister, Mr. Baliff.
Second row—Donald Deel, Vera Lynn Wallin, Evelyn Thorgren, Catherine Moore, Luella Hasse, Ruth Hertaus, Bonnie Sisson.
Front row—Joan LaMar, Patricia Roach, Dorothy Dedina, Amy Anderson, Rose Maretich.

LOWER PICTURE

Top row—Donald Keele, Maureen Brown, Chester Haas, George David, Norbert Mattingly, Doris Ray, Herschel Harbison, Robert Forney.
Third row—Donald Lindberg, Robert Riley, Roy Lannom, Doris Ronk, Virginia Heibert, John Krupchak, Ray Larson.
Second row—Juanita McBride, Shirley Lampley, LaDaune Thoesen, Miss Hartley, Betty Kietzman, Loima Burke, Nancy Coulter, Frances Witkowski.
Front row—Matha Milburn, Betty Husk, Kathryn Barrett, Lorna Reich, Sharon Hass, Bonnie McMillen.
Not pictured—Howard Bodamer, Helen Carmack, William Hodge, Nancy Lyman, Arthur Munro, Forrest Melton, Aveline Picon, Robert Taboada, Allen Richard Thorne, Jesse Walker.

CLASS OFFICERS: Robert Barbercheck, vice-president; Mr. Brubaker, sponsor; Mrs. Crisman, sponsor; Donald Inglish, treasurer; Randall Cook, president; Dorothy Eubank, secretary.

Class of '48

With the increased knowledge acquired from two years of high school life, the juniors' faces beamed with brightness of intelligence on September 3. As a matter of fact, those countenances continued to shine more brightly throughout the year, as the members of the class were strictly speaking "typical juniors." The first successful "stage light" of the year in activities was the junior class play, "Aunt Abby Answers an Ad," on November 1.

For a grand climax, the eventful "night light" long to be remembered was the Prom given by the juniors in Marquette Pavilion on May 2.

Top row—Thomas Donovan, Daisy Walker, Loretta Shaver, Marilyn McPhee, Donna Hazelrigg, Sally Wojcik, Armida Faupel, Charlyne Smith, Clara Thorne, Eileen Brown, Betty Cornett, Mary Ann Burnham, Lester Hasse.

Third row—Paul Husarik, Doris Gray, Robert Barbercheck, Barbara Palmer, Sylvia Rogers, Lucille Nelson, Mary O'Rourke, Pauline Husarik, Edward Mattingly, Arlene Williams, Arlene Babarik, Donald Inglish, Dorothy Eubank, John Blossom, Rudolph Talaga.

Second row—Gerald Owen, Priscilla Hill, Betty Lou Hickey, Mr. Brubaker, Mrs. Crisman, Hugh McDonald, Lorraine Haas.

Front row—Nancy Watts, David Minard, Donna Lindberg, Wanda Kuhl, Randall Cook, Jeanette Munro, Robert McDonald, Phyllis Larson, William Malinoff, John Karageorge, Luster Hursey.

Not pictured—Betty Potts.

WESLEY ARINGTON

Wes is one of those fellows who lives just to play basketball—Varsity, Baseball, Track, "E" Men's Club, Hi-Y President, Band, Boys' Chorus, Male Quartet, Mixed Chorus, Junior Play.

DOROTHY A. BAKALSKI

Having experience as a sales clerk, Dot should make a very charming manager of the A & P—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Girls Athletic Association President and Vice-President, Girls' Chorus, Mixed Chorus, Sextet.

DONNA M. BARNES

Dutchie is especially noted for her pretty eyes and writing ability—Sunshine Society Corresponding Secretary, Senior Secretary, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Editor, Band, Science Club, Junior Play.

MARION LOUISE BOTTOS

With a smile for every one, Pat is very good natured—Girls Athletic Association, Sunshine Society Vice-President, Commercial Club President, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Chorus President, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Junior Play.

ERNEST BENEDICT

Ernie's two favorite hobbies are basketball and horseback riding—Varsity, Track, Baseball, "E" Men's Club, Commercial Club.

MARY LOUISE BROWN

Mary, with her dark brown hair and blue eyes, is the first one of the Class of '47 to promise to take the vow, "for better or for worse,"—Commercial Club, Sunshine Society, Girls' Chorus, Mixed Chorus.

JOHN S. BUGAY

"What would Office Practice be like without Boogie?"—Hi-Y Club, Commercial Club, Science Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Track, Junior Play.

EARL COOPER

Earl has carried his share of activities during his four years in Edison High School—Band President, Sophomore Vice-President, "E" Men's Club, Baseball, Varsity, Track.

CLASS OF '47

JEANETTE R. COURTNEY

One of the most noted characteristics of Nep is her nice clothes—Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Commercial Club, Girls' Chorus.

WILLIAM CRAGO

Edison couldn't get along without our all-round star, Bill—Varsity Captain, Baseball, Track, "E" Men's President, Sophomore Secretary.

NORMA JEANNE CROWLEY

She is petite and attractive and will long be remembered for her gracious smile—Girls Athletic Association, Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Science Club, *Edisonian* Staff.

KATHLEEN DAROSKY

Katie's grades indicate that she might become a C. P. A. in the future if she wishes to follow that profession—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Girls Athletic Association, Girls' Chorus.

JOYCE ANN DAVIS

You can never find Jo when she isn't springing a joke—Freshman Treasurer, Girls Athletic Association Treasurer, Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Girls' Chorus, Business Manager of *Eagle Feathers* and *The Edisonian*, Junior Play.

EDWIN DONOVAN

Ed is always entertaining classes with his witticisms—Senior Vice-President, Sophomore Treasurer, "E" Men's Vice-President, Varsity, Track, Science Club, *Eagle Feathers* and *The Edisonian* Sports Editor, Junior Play.

JANIE LORENE EUBANK

Janie's pleasing personality and thoughtful nature endears her to all, and she will go far in the world—Sunshine Society Secretary and President, Girls Athletic Association Treasurer, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff.

GERTRUDE FIEBELKORN

Gerty is one of our more studious classmates who seems to be always on the job wherever she is—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus.

CLASS OF '47

MATTIE FRAZIER

The sweet little girl with the beautiful auburn hair—Commercial Club Vice-President, Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Chorus.

KATHRYNE HADDAD

Dolly's oratorical ability is sure to make her a future congresswoman from Indiana—Girls Athletic Association, Commercial Club, Sunshine Society, Science Club, Freshman President, Band, Student Council, *Eagle Feathers* Staff.

MYRTLE J. HAMILTON

Living close to school, Myrt acquired the habit of being on time—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus.

ETHEL HAMMOND

Looking at Ethel's records in shorthand, we think that she will be a good stenographer—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Girls Athletic Association, *Eagle Feathers* Associate Editor, Library Assistant.

FRANCES JOANNE HODGE

After checking papers, she should be a good teacher—Library Assistant, Commercial Club, Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Science Club Vice-President, Girls' Chorus, Mixed Chorus, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, *Edisonian* Society Editor.

PHYLLIS J. HODGE

One's conversation with Phyllis usually begins or ends with the subject of "roller skating"—Girls Athletic Association, Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Girls' Chorus, *Eagle Feathers* Staff.

ANNA ELIZABETH HONKOSKI

We are sure that Ann's ambition is to be a professional basketball player—Sunshine Society Corresponding Secretary, Girls Athletic Association, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus.

FRED HUMINIK

Studying parliamentary law is Fred's first step toward being an Indiana senator—Senior President, Commercial Club, Science Club, Hi-Y Club, "E" Men's Club, Varsity, Track, Boys' Chorus, Mixed Chorus, Junior Play.

CLASS OF '47

SYLVIA MARIE JACOB

Syl's always friendly, ready to lend a helping hand, and is one of our dependable classmates—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Junior Treasurer, Girls' Chorus, *Eagle Feathers* Staff.

MARY ANN JAROSAK

With her quiet charm and pleasant disposition, Mary Ann will succeed in her chosen field as an interior decorator—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, *Edisonian* Associate Editor, Girls' Chorus.

DORRIS KIMMEL

Dorris will always have a host of friends because of her friendly and fun-loving nature—Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Cheerleader, Girls' Chorus, Commercial Club.

BETTYE LOUISE LARSON

Bettye's favorite pastime is dancing and can she dance! What will *Eagle Feathers* do without her poems?—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls Athletic Association.

FRANCES M. MAYER

Fran's efficient manner and intelligence will greatly help her through Northwestern University—Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Science Club, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus, Latin Contest.

WILLIAM McDANIEL

Billy's cute grin and good-looking clothes have made him the sheik of Edison—Band Vice-President, Commercial Club, Science Club President.

ROSALIE McMILLEN

Rosalie's the happy-go-lucky natured girl with many friends—Girls Athletic Association, Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Science Club.

MANLEY MINARD

Serving in many offices leads to an executive—Sophomore and Junior President; "E" Men's, Band, and Senior Treasurer; Freshman Secretary; Science Club Vice-President, *Eagle Feathers* Business Manager, Latin Contest, Junior Play.

CLASS OF '47

MARY LOU MOY

Because of her willingness to lend a helping hand, she is popular among her classmates—Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus.

HELEN MURACO

She has always been a shy and quiet little brunette of our class and is willing to work if she is given a chance—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, Girls Athletic Association, *Eagle Feathers* Staff.

YVONNE MUZIO

The varsity couldn't get along without Bonnie's spark of vitality as she has been cheerleader for four years—Commercial Club, Girls Athletic Association, Sunshine Society, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Cheerleader, Junior Play.

MARIE NELSON

Marie is our genial blonde and charming conversationalist—Commercial Club, Sunshine Society, Girls' Chorus.

ALYCE JEAN OSBERG

Alyce could very nicely use her mimeograph technique in an office—Sunshine Society, Girls Athletic Association, Commercial Club Secretary, Science Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Junior Play.

BETTY E. RAMSAY

Being a typical blonde, Betty always has a boy friend—Commercial Club Treasurer, Sunshine Society, Girls' Chorus, Junior Play.

EUGENE RIGGINS

Serving two years as library assistant, Gene should make a prosperous librarian—Hi-Y Club, Science Club, Commercial Club, *Edisonian* Business Manager, Band, Boys' Chorus, Boys' Quartet, Junior Play.

JOHN ROSSI

We will always have memories of shy Johnnie driving his "36" Ford and serving in the capacity as president of the Student Council—Junior Vice-President, Hi-Y Club, Commercial Club, Student Council President.

CLASS OF '47

WILLIAM SCHULTZ

A returned veteran of the Navy, and he is quite a debonair gentleman and senior—Band, Science Club.

JEAN SCHULZE

Jean is known for her sincerity and reticence—Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus, Mixed Chorus.

DOLORES G. SCHWAGER

Our stand-by is known as "Old Faithful" as well as a speedy typist—Sunshine Society Treasurer, Girls Athletic Association President, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, *Edisonian* Editor, Girls' Chorus.

SHIRLEY SHAW

Shirley's quiet manner and willingness to work is most advantageous when a worker is needed—Girls Athletic Association, Sunshine Society, Commercial Club, *Eagle Feathers* Staff, Girls' Chorus.

THEODORE WALKER

Ted enjoys the studious discussions in our classes, especially civics—Junior Secretary, Student Council.

HERBERT SNELL

Not pictured.

Herbert withdrew from school to serve his country in World War II and returned the second semester to complete his high school course.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Norma Crowley, Mattie Frazier, Frances Mayer, Yvonne Muzio, Alyce Osberg, Mr. Mendoza.

Class of '47

A long time ago, strictly speaking in the fall of '43, Edison's portals were opened wide to welcome the new freshman class, one of the largest classes to pass through its entrance. Now, after four years of teaching them a part of the vast knowledge of the world, Edison will again open the portals, not to welcome this time, but to say farewell to a group of young men and women far different from the freshmen of '43. This group has had a grandstand seat to the glorious end of the war as well as the after effects of the war in a world striving for peace. Now, they are graduating at a time when the world and the future are very uncertain.

To steer them on the right course that first year were their sponsors, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Rathburn, and their class officers—Dolly Haddad, Nelle Patterson, Joyce Davis, and Manley Minard. Of course, the tradition of former years was not forgotten since the freshmen were the honored guests of the upperclassmen for a full week of initiation. Being underclassmen, their class activities were few but the year was highlighted by two freshmen parties.

The second lap of the journey found Manley Minard, Earl Cooper, William Crago, and Edwin Donovan at the helm with Miss Hartley and Mr. Baliff as captains. They found the sea mild and the sailing smooth at the close of the second part of the voyage.

The sea was becoming roughened but the sailing was safe with their ship in the command of Manley Minard, John Rossi, Theodore Walker, and Sylvia Jacob with Mrs. Crisman as the navigator. As juniors, they were faced with the problem of raising the funds necessary to entertain the seniors at the annual Prom, which was held in the Crystal Ballroom with George Navarre's orchestra furnishing the music. The chief means of financing the Prom was the junior class play, which was a 3-act comedy entitled "Socially Ambitious." This third lap of the journey was brought to a close with the arrival of their long-awaited class rings.

The last part of their voyage was found still to be somewhat rough, but the sea was becoming calm. The crew had been decreased in number. Fred Huminik was promoted to captain's rank with Edwin Donovan as first-mate. Donna Barnes kept the log-book up-to-date, and Manley Minard was the keeper of the keys to the cargo. Mr. Mendoza took over the position of navigator. The class took its turns of sponsoring Saturday night dances as a means of raising money for expenses and incidental entertainment. The class play was the seniors' "stage light" of the year and was a huge success. On May 2, the seniors of '47 were the guests of the junior class at the Prom in Marquette Park Pavilion. The semi-closing event of the year for the seniors was the Baccalaureate Service on May 18, and the closing and most important event of their four years of high school life was the Commencement on May 21 —especially the moment they received their diplomas.

The sea is now calm and '47's destination is reached with her ship anchored safely. No doubt, future journeys as individuals will take the members of the class through rough waters and storms; but with their educational voyage through Edison over and being equipped with the knowledge gained under Edison's "steering light," they can always steer their life's ship back to calm waters of smooth sailing.

Farewell

We started out as freshmen green,
And little we knew as underclassmen.
We fearfully awaited initiation day,
But we survived and were on our way.

Parties, fun, and silly romances,
Basketball games and gala dances!
Our sophomore grade went fairly fast;
Before we knew it, the year was past.

As juniors, our interest in studies increased,
The giddy outlook on life we ceased.
We took our parents' and teachers' advice,
And found regulations according to justice.

Now we are ready to take our stand
In this wide world, so vast and grand.
Happily, yet sadly, we say goodbye
To our beloved school of Edison High!

BETTYE LARSON.

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SENIOR SALESMEN: *Top row*—John Bugay, Fred Huminik, Marie Nelson, Kathryn Darosky, Jean Schulze, Betty Larson, Gertrude Fiebelkorn, Myrtle Hamilton, Marion Bottos, William McDaniel, John Rossi, Earl Cooper. *Second row*—Frances Mayer, Janie Eubank, Mary Brown, Donna Barnes, Phyllis Hodge, Alyce Osberg, Dolly Haddad, Mary Lou Moy, Rosalie McMillen, Sylvia Jacob, Mattie Frazier, Manley Minard. *Front row*—Helen Muraco, Shirley Shaw, Yvonne Muzio, Betty Ramsay, Dorothy Bakalski, Jeanette Courtney, Doris Kimmel.

EDISONIAN STAFF: *Top row*—Eugene Riggins, business manager; Donald Inglish, junior editor; Sylvia Rogers, art editor, Paul Harbison, art editor; Miss Hartley, sponsor. *Front row*—Norma Crowley, society editor, Dolores Schwager, editor; Mary Ann Jarosak, associate editor; Frances Hodge, society editor; Joyce Davis, business manager. *Not pictured*—Edwin Donovan, sports editor.

EDISONIAN STAFF

The staff with the help of Miss Hartley and the senior salesmen have worked hard to give to you the seventh yearbook of Edison High, *The Edisonian.* This year's *Edisonian* is the first printed annual in the history of Edison—following the first complete job of offset copy last year and five mimeographed books of former years.

For the first time, the staff chose the theme of "Edison High School—the Guiding Light of East Gary," since the school was named for Thomas Alva Edison, the renowned inventor for multiple inventions which affect directly or indirectly our daily life. Just as Edison gave light to the world, Edison High is the educational guiding light of East Gary's future citizens and her graduates wherever they may go.

Edison has memories that live from locker jams to basketball games and from odorous experiments in chemistry to appetizing lunches in Home Ec. It is the purpose of *The Edisonian* to breathe life into Edison's work and play activities that they might be treasured and live forever in the memories of each student as he leaves the portals of Edison.

The staff wishes to express its thanks to the merchants of East Gary and the surrounding cities for their contributions and to Mr. Boomershine, the faculty, and organizations for their loyal support of the annual.

Top row—John Bugay, Alyce Osberg, Dolores Schwager, Kathryn Darosky, Helen Muraco.
Second row—Manley Minard, Joyce Davis, Edwin Donovan, Miss Hartley, Donna Barnes, Ethel Hammond, Mary Lou Moy, Jean Schulze, Dolly Haddad, Anna Honkoski, Mary Ann Jarosak, Marion Bottos, Phyllis Hodge, Mrs. Crisman, Bettye Larson.
Front row—Sylvia Rogers, Sylvia Jacob, Janie Eubank, Myrtle Hamilton, Shirley Shaw.

EAGLE FEATHERS

Press Recordings! The staff of 1946-47 was proud of being the publishers of *Eagle Feathers* for the tenth year and consisted of a group of seniors in the commercial department, who volunteered their services under the guidance of Miss Hartley and Mrs. Crisman, and mimeographed the paper every two weeks.

A major change in the set-up this year was the financing of the paper by means of subscriptions sold to students at the beginning of the year. For the first time in the history of the paper, the business managers did not solicit the merchants for ads. Our special issue of the year was the colored Christmas edition.

The staff for the year consisted of Donna Barnes, editor; Ethel Hammond, associate editor; Edwin Donovan, sports editor; Sylvia Rogers, art editor; Joyce Davis and Manley Minard, business managers.

The reporters and machine operators were Sylvia Jacob, Dolly Haddad, Mary Ann Jarosak, Myrtle Hamilton, Alyce Osberg, Dolores Schwager, Frances Hodge, Mary Lou Moy, Yvonne Muzio, Bettye Larson, Janie Eubank, Gertrude Fiebelkorn, Jean Schulze, Phyllis Hodge, Shirley Shaw, Anna Honkoski, Helen Muraco, John Bugay, Frances Mayer, Marion Bottos, Kathryn Darosky, Rosalie McMillen.

Top row—Raymond Arington, Pauline Husarik, Helen Baker, Mr. Brubaker, Daisy Walker, Richard Jones, Jimmie Metz, Donald Walker.

Second row—William McDaniel, Eugene Riggins, Forrest Jackson, Dolly Haddad, Wesley Arington, Kay Don Williams, George David, John Krupchak, Jesse Walker, Armida Faupel, Alan Eberhardt, Lester Hasse, Louise Owen.

Front row—Earl Cooper, Manley Minard, Leota Sanders, Kathleen David, Sharon Carmody, Connie Rush, Doris Gray, Lucille Nelson.

BAND

Musical recordings! Mr. Brubaker, who organized the Band nine years ago, is back at his old post of reorganizing the Band after three and one-half years of service in the Navy.

The Band made its first public appearance for the Band Boosters' Tea, which proved to be a great success, on November 5.

At the beginning of the year, several members of the Band combined their talents and formed the "Little German Band." This group made its first public appearance at the annual Central-Edison P. T. A. Carnival.

A mid-year activity was the Christmas convocation given by the members of the Band in cooperation with the Girls' Chorus and Hi-Y.

Although the results are not known at the time the copy goes to press, the Band competed in the District Band Contest at New Carlisle on April 19.

The important "stagelight" of the year for the members of the Band was the Annual Spring Concert, which was held on April 25. The Beginners Band of fifty-five members was featured.

Officers of the Band this year were: Earl Cooper, president; William McDaniel, vice-president; Manley Minard, secretary and treasurer.

Top row—Jean Schulze, Sylvia Jacob, Mary Brown, Phyllis Hodge, LaDaune Thoesen, Ruth Hertaus, Maureen Brown, Juanita McBride, Matha Milburn, Priscilla Hill, Lorraine Haas, Gertrude Fiebelkorn.
Fourth row—Myrtle Hamilton, Mary Ann Jarosak, Mary Lou Moy, Nancy Coulter, Luella Hasse, Virginia Heibert, Doris Ronk, Carol Hammond, Sylvia Rogers, Wanda Kuhl, Barbara Palmer.
Third row—Mattie Frazier, Shirley Shaw, Kathryn Darosky, Miss Ardashier, Sharon Carmody, Joan Ginter, Doris Ray.
Second row—Shirley Crumbaugh, Marie Nelson, Dorothy Bakalski, Joan LaMar, Nancy Lyman, Kathryn Barrett, Shirley Lampley, Betty Lou Hickey, Armida Faupel.
Front row—Ethel Cook, Nancy Fejes, Eleanore Schaffer, Sally Fejes, Patsy Lazzaroni, Marilyn Howell, June Fleming.

GIRLS' CHORUS

Top row—Leota Sanders, Mildred Gray, Ruth Parsons, Joann Harris, Mae Leathurby, Kathleen David, Edna Schulze, Charlotte Clemens, Norma Daily, Corrine Hazelrigg, Ardella Shaver, Lucille Smith.
Third row—Fern Humphrey, Geraldine Jablonski, Lucille Nelson, Grace Ellis, Frances Hodge, Julia Mast, Esther Demo, Helen Maretich, Eileen Crocker.
Second row—Marlene Scharf, Pauline Husarik, Miss Ardashier, Denise Nugent, Evelyn Evans, Marion Bottos.
Front row—Angeline Appa, Patricia Wallace, Mary Louise Owen, Sally Wojcik, Dolores Schwager, Maureen Sullivan, Neva Cutsinger.

MIXED CHORUS

Top row—Eugene Riggins, Jack Prestrem, Lester Hasse, Edward Mattingly, Wesley Arington, Robert Barbercheck, Fred Huminik, Ray Larson, Alan Ganz.

Second row—John Pahos, Dorothy Bakalski, Mattie Frazier, Nancy Coulter, Miss Ardashier, Jean Schulze, Mary Brown, Grace Ellis, Frances Hodge, Paul Husarik.

Front row—Armida Faupel, Doris Ronk, Wanda Kuhl, Barbara Palmer, Sylvia Rogers, Doris Ray, Joan Ginter, Betty Lou Hickey, Marion Bottos.

BOYS' CHORUS

Top row—Eugene Riggins, Jack Prestrem, Lester Hasse, Edward Mattingly, Wesley Arington, Robert Barbercheck, Fred Huminik, Ray Larson, David Bersell, Alan Ganz.

Second row—Donald Deel, Leo O'Connor, Jesse Walker, Miss Ardashier, Paul Husarik, James Fletcher, Raymond Arington.

Front row—Donald Lindberg, Richard Thorne, John Pahos, Arnold Barbknecht, Robert Stegall, Forrest Jackson, Donald Gustafson, Luther Schwager.

Vocal Groups Enter Contest

The Girls' Chorus won first place in the District Contest and the State Contest last year, and the Girls' Sextet won first in the District and second place in the State Contest. Each vocal group hopes to be as successful under the direction of Miss Ardashier this year. The District Contest is April 12, and the State Contest is April 19.

Girls' Sextet

Sylvia Rogers, Sharon Carmody, Dorothy Bakalski, Miss Ardashier, Armida Faupel, Joan Ginter, Betty Lou Hickey.

Boys' Quartet

James Fletcher, Raymond Arington, Miss Ardashier, Luther Schwager, Donald Gustafson.

Girls' Octet

Top row—Leota Sanders.

Third row—Esther Demo, Eleanor Schaffer, Sally Fejes, June Fleming.

Second row—Nancy Fejes, Miss Ardashier, Patsy Lazzaroni.

Front row—Maureen Sullivan.

Top row—Thomas Donovan, Edward Mattingly, Robert Barbercheck, Lester Hasse, Barbara Palmer, Mrs. Crisman.
Front row—Armida Faupel, Priscilla Hill, Betty Lou Hickey, Wanda Kuhl, Donna Lindberg.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

Aunt Abby, a man-hater, secretly answered an ad which she found in the "Lonely Hearts" column of a love story magazine. Bob Barrington and Billy Barberton arrived, disguised as old men and became entangled with Aunt Abby and Lucinda Lovejoy. The result was a mad, hilarious farce with a very happy ending for the entertainment of the evening of November 1.

Cast of Characters

Abby Ainsley, a dyed-in-the-wool old maid	Wanda Kuhl
Lucindy Lovejoy, her maid-of-all-work	Betty Lou Hickey
Horace Harter, her unwelcome suitor	Edward Mattingly
Anna Ainsley, her niece from the city	Barbara Palmer
Lillian Lorraine, Anna's girl chum	Armida Faupel
Billy Barberton, engaged to Lillian	Lester Hasse
Bobby Barrington, Anna's boy friend	Thomas Donovan
Mrs. Purviance, a tourist	Priscilla Hill
Horace Harkwell, a lonely widower	Robert Barbercheck
Essie Ebbersole, a tattle-tale	Donna Lindberg
Director	Mrs. Crisman

Top row—Fred Huminik, John Bugay, Wesley Arington, Mrs. Crisman, Manley Minard, Herbert Snell, Edwin Donovan.

Front row—Frances Hodge, Joyce Davis, Dolly Haddad, Mary Brown, Janie Eubank, Rosalie McMillen.

SENIOR PLAY

The seniors won their fame to "stardom" on April 2, when they presented their class play entitled "Gabriel, Blow Your Horn," a three-act comedy. Miss Thelma, who was a wealthy society lady, took her niece Janet and her friends to their summer cottage for the purpose of keeping Janet away from Herb, Janet's boy friend. But Gabriel and his family pretended that Herb in disguise was their cousin Sam, so that he could be near Janet. In a fitting and surprising climax, Miss Thelma changed her mind and each won her man.

Cast of Characters

Gabriel Pennington, a mountaineer	Fred Huminik
Zerusia, his wife	Joyce Davis
Daisy Mae, their daughter	Dolly Haddad
Miss Thelma Smith, a wealthy society woman	Frances Hodge
Janet Smith, her niece	Janie Eubank
Eleanor Barnes, a friend of Janet	Rosalie McMillen
Mildred Clyde, a friend of Janet	Mary Brown
Pete Wright, a friend of Janet	Wesley Arington
Frank Stephens, a friend of Janet	Earl Cooper
Harold Dillon, a rising young broker	Manley Minard
Herbert Brown, Jr., in love with Janet	Edwin Donovan
Herbert Brown, his father	Herbert Snell
Director	Mrs. Crisman

PROM COMMITTEES

Top row—Robert McDonald, Luster Hursey, Robert Barbercheck, Randall Cook, Thomas Donovan, Gerald Owen.
Front row—Arlene Williams, Phyllis Larson, Clara Thorne, Shirley Martin, Lucille Nelson, Dorothy Eubank.

JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

Under the radiant glow of a May moon, by the sparkling waters of Lake Michigan, Marquette Pavilion echoed with the strains of music as the juniors and seniors with their guests enjoyed the annual Junior Prom.

The beautiful Pavilion, nestled among the sand dunes, breathed an atmosphere of cheerfulness. An attitude of forgotten cares was quickly assumed by the students and their honored guests, as they enhanced the beauty of the Pavilion with their colorful formal attire.

Top row—William McDaniel, Jeanette Munro, Armida Faupel, John Bugay, Loretta Shaver, Mary O'Rourke, Doris Gray, Edward Mattingly, Fred Huminik, Gertrude Fiebelkorn, Arlene Williams, Lorraine Hass, Lester Hasse, Nancy Watts, Dorothy Eubank.

Fourth row—Thomas Donovan, Randall Cook, Mary Ann Burnham, Robert Barbercheck, Anna Honkoski, Janie Eubank, Marie Nelson, Mattie Frazier, Ethel Hammond, Jean Schulze, Myrtle Hamilton, Mary Ann Jarosak, Pauline Husarik, Lucille Nelson, Wanda Kuhl, Priscilla Hill, Sylvia Rogers, Barbara Palmer, Eileen Brown, Sylvia Jacob, Kathryn Darosky.

Third row—Phyllis Hodge, Dolly Haddad, Phyllis Larson, Miss Hartley, Clara Thorne, Norma Crowley, Frances Mayer, Betty Larson, Alyce Osberg.

Second row—Betty Cornett, Donna Barnes, Dorothy Bakalski, Dorris Kimmel, Helen Muraco, Mary Brown, Frances Hodge, Donna Hazelrigg, John Karageorge, Donna Lindberg, Marilyn McPhee, Dolores Schwager, Shirley Shaw.

Front row—Joyce Davis, Mary Lou Moy, Rosalie McMillen, Betty Ramsay, Yvonne Muzio, Marion Bottos, Charlyne Smith, Betty Lou Hickey, Daisy Walker, Arlene Babarik.

EDISON COMMERCIAL CLUB

Ediphone transcript! The Edison Commercial Club combines business with pleasure since its membership is limited to juniors and seniors who are taking subjects in the commercial department of Edison High. Eight years ago, their sponsor, Miss Hartley, decided that the commercial students of Edison needed more than just "book-learning."

On October 30, the members of the club had the opportunity of going on a tour through the Gary Sheet and Tin Mill. This tour proved quite interesting and educational. Throughout the year, other trips were taken through the Gary *Post-Tribune* plant and Gary National Bank. Several movies were shown and proved helpful to students in choosing a vocation and applying for a position. A demonstration in stenotypy and machine calculation was given by the Gary Business College.

The social side of the club, however, was not to be forgotten as the club sponsored a dance on December 7. The following week on December 12, the club sponsored a donkey basketball game from which the net proceeds were contributed to the 1947 *Edisonian*. This affair proved to be the most fun-loving event—full of side-splitting laughs—for the members of the club as well as the students of Edison during the school year.

Top row—Janie Eubank, Jean Schulze, Nancy Lyman, Shirley Lampley, Anna Borisenko, Mary Lou Krumrie, Lorna Reich, Bonnie McMillen, Sharon Hass, Maureen Sullivan, Angeline Appa, Eileen Brown, Ruth Adams, June Fleming.

Third row—Dorris Kimmel, Myrtle Hamilton, Joan Dreyovich, Juanita McBride, Maureen Brown, Doris Ronk, Virginia Heibert, Nancy Coulter, Shirley Crumbaugh, Joan LaMar, Yvonne Muzio.

Second row—Rosalie McMillen, Dorothy Bakalski, Betty Husk, Betty Kietzman, Luella Hasse, Miss Ardashier, Evelyn Thorgren, Catherine Moore, Sharon Carmody, Loima Burke.

Front row—Betty Ramsay, Jeanette Courtney, Marie Nelson, Matha Milburn, Helen Kenney, Dorothy Dedina, Patricia Roach, Patricia Crowley, Kathryn Barrett.

SUNSHINE SOCIETY

Typical of its name, the Sunshine Society bore its share of "spreading light and brightening the corners of Edison" during the year. The girls belonged to the society voluntarily for the first time under the direction of Miss Ardashier. After the initiation, which consisted of a candle-light service, the membership included 125 girls.

Miss Ardashier and Janie Eubank, president of the society, attended a conference at Ambia, Indiana, on October 12, and brought back many new ideas for the year. The girls decorated the building in its usual Christmas gaiety so that the students enjoyed the decorations the week before Christmas vacation.

Ice cream, candy, and pop corn sales at noon and basketball games and school dances were the financial aids of the Sunshine Society this year. According to custom, $10.00 was donated to the Riley Hospital Fund.

For a yearly project each girl chose an "Ideal Lady" and sent her a remembrance for Christmas and her birthday and anniversary; then she was invited to attend an Ideal Ladies' Tea which was given in Edison gymnasium.

Another change this year and the closing event of the year was the Sunshine Breakfast which was combined with the Hi-Y. Contrary to other years, the girls and fellows enjoyed a very good meal in the gym. The officers were: Janie Eubank, president; Charlyne Smith, vice-president; Nancy Coulter, secretary; Dolores Schwager, treasurer.

Top row—Betty Potts, Corrine Hazelrigg, Ardella Shaver, Ruth Hertaus, LaDaune Thoesen, Frances Witkowski, Lucille Smith, Norma Dailey, Charlotte Clemens, Edna Schulze, Julia Mast, Leota Sanders, Gertrude Fiebelkorn.

Third row—Helen Muraco, Betty Lou Hickey, Grace Ellis, Frances Hodge, Betty Larson, Miss Ardashier, Joan Ginter, Carol Hammond, Mary Louise Owen, Fern Humphrey, Doris Ray, Phyllis Hodge, Doris Gray.

Second row—Norma Crowley, Armida Faupel, Sally Wojcik, Dolores Schwager, Kathleen David, Mildred Gray, Neva Cutsinger, Patricia Wallace, Mary Brown.

Front row—Mattie Frazier, Charlyne Smith, Ethel Cook, Sally Fejes, Patricia Lazzaroni, Nancy Fejes, Marilyn Howell, Eleanore Schaffer.

SUNSHINE SOCIETY

Top row—Joann Harris, Mae Leathurby, Ruth Parsons, Marion Bottos, Sylvia Jacob, Dorothy Eubank, Mary O'Rourke, Pauline Husarik, Betty Cornett, Mary Ann Burnham, Arlene Williams, Mary Lou Moy.

Third row—Lucille Nelson, Esther Demo, Geraldine Jablonski, Marlene Scharf, Donna Barnes, Kathryn Darosky, Miss Ardashier, Ethel Hammond, Shirley Shaw, Marilyn McPhee, Joyce Davis, Priscilla Hill, Sylvia Rogers.

Second row—Barbara Palmer, Rose Maretich, Amy Anderson, Frances Mayer, Dolly Haddad, Mary Ann Jarosak, Daisy Walker, Arlene Babarik, Donna Hazelrigg.

Front row—Wanda Kuhl, Phyllis Larson, Helen Maretich, Nancy Watts, Clara Thorne, Eileen Crocker, Jeanette Munro, Evelyn Evans, Denise Nugent, Alyce Osberg, Lorraine Haas.

Top row—David Minard, Arnold Barbknecht, Luther Schwager, Dale Gross, Donald Lindberg, Donald Gustafson, Kay Don Williams, Robert Stegall, Donald Keele, Jimmie Metz, Raymond Arington, Allen Richard Thorne, John Rossi.

Third row—Paul Husarik, Robert Barbercheck, Gerald Owen, John Bugay, Roy Lannom, Jesse Hodges, Fred Huminik, John Krupchak, Luster Hursey, Leo O'Connor, Edwin Donovan.

Second row—Randall Cook, Arthur Munro, Alan Eberhardt, Forrest Jackson, William Knight, Herschel Harbison, Robert McDonald, Thomas Webber, Manley Minard, Robert Riley.

Front row—Walter Icenogle, Lester Hasse, Norbert Mattingly, Mr. Mendoza, Wesley Arington, Edward Mattingly, James Fletcher, Thomas Donovan.

HI-Y

Hi-Y was a new activity at Edison this year and was an all-boys' organization—being organized and sponsored by Mr. Mendoza, a newcomer on the faculty from way down South.

The purpose of the organization is to create and maintain a high standard of Christian character throughout the school and the community.

At the Hi-Y initiation, which was held in Edison gymnasium on December 5, thirty-nine boys were inducted into the organization.

The members of the Hi-Y refinished toys for the underprivileged children of East Gary and gave Christmas baskets to needy families for the purpose of adding a bit of cheer during the Holiday Season.

Edison was represented at the Hi-Y Conference at Kokomo and the district meeting in Michigan City.

The Hi-Y sponsored a number of dances, the scrap drive for football equipment, played basketball of its own, and quenched the thirst of Edisonites by selling pop at noons and on other occasions.

During the school year, the following students served as officers: Wesley Arington, president; Edward Mattingly, vice-president; Lester Hasse, secretary; Norbert Mattingly, treasurer.

Top row—Arlene Williams, Dorothy Eubank, Helen Muraco, Phyllis Hodge, LaDaune Thoesen, Ruth Hertaus, Carol Hammond, Doris Gray, Pauline Husarik, Mary O'Rourke, Sharon Carmody, Armida Faupel, Lorraine Haas, Janie Eubank.

Fourth row—Rosalie McMillen, Dorris Kimmel, Mary Lou Moy, Shirley Shaw, Kathryn Darosky, Ethel Hammond, Nancy Coulter, Joan LaMar, Maureen Brown, Jeanette Munro, Betty Lou Hickey, Yvonne Muzio.

Third row—Mattie Frazier, Norma Crowley, Frances Mayer, Dolly Haddad, Mrs. Schroder, Luella Hasse, Catherine Moore, Shirley Crumbaugh.

Second row—Alyce Osberg, Frances Hodge, Sally Wojcik, Arlene Babarik, Daisy Walker, Wanda Kuhl, Betty Larson, Sylvia Rogers, Barbara Palmer, Priscilla Hill, Marion Bottos.

Front row—Dolores Schwager, Joyce Davis, Charlyne Smith, Dorothy Bakalski, Rose Maretich, Phyllis Larson, Clara Thorne, Nancy Watts.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The G. A. A. had a very busy year building strong, radiant, healthy bodies of the "weaker sex" of Edison under the leadership of the following girls: Dorothy Bakalski, president; Charlyne Smith, vice-president; Rose Maretich, secretary; Joyce Davis, treasurer. The club was sponsored the first semester by Mrs. Schroder and the second semester by Miss Newcomb.

The purpose of the organization was to sponsor athletics in which all girls could participate. Softball, bowling, volley-ball, volley-ring, badminton, table-tennis, roller-skating, dancing, hiking, bicycle riding, tennis, and basketball proved to be quite popular. The girls competed in tournaments during the year.

During the middle of the year, the members of the organization gladly accepted in the form of an initiation, all of the new members and helped them to understand the society. The new members were required to earn twenty-five points in order to become eligible candidates; then they served as pledges to their "Big Sisters." Those girls who passed the test were really good sports.

The regular G. A. A. awards were earned by the most outstanding members of the organization.

Top row—Edward Mattingly, Lester Hasse, Eugene Riggins, Edwin Donovan, Frank Grishka, Walter Icenogle, Herschel Harbison, Gerald Owen, Robert Barbercheck, Randall Cook, Thomas Donovan, Donald Walker, John Blossom, William Schulze.

Third row—Alyce Osberg, Rosalie McMillen, Dolly Haddad, Frances Mayer, Armida Faupel, Jeanette Munro, Norma Smith, Edna Schulze, Sally Wojcik, Mary O'Rourke, Frances Hodge, Pauline Husarik, Doris Gray.

Second row—Luther Schwager, Forrest Jackson, David Bersell, William Knight, James Hoefflicker, Raymond Arington, Jimmie Metz, Dale Gross, John Bugay, Kay Don Williams.

Front row—Manley Minard, Clara Thorne, William McDaniel, Phyllis Larson, Louise Owen, Lucille Smith, Kathleen David, Mrs. Hoffman.

SCIENCE CLUB

Top row—James Fletcher, Mike Haburjak, Donald Schleff, Alan Eberhardt, Russel Heck, Robert Stegall, Donald Gustafson, Harold Thews, Arnold Barbknecht, Jack Prestrem, Walter Fiebelkorn.

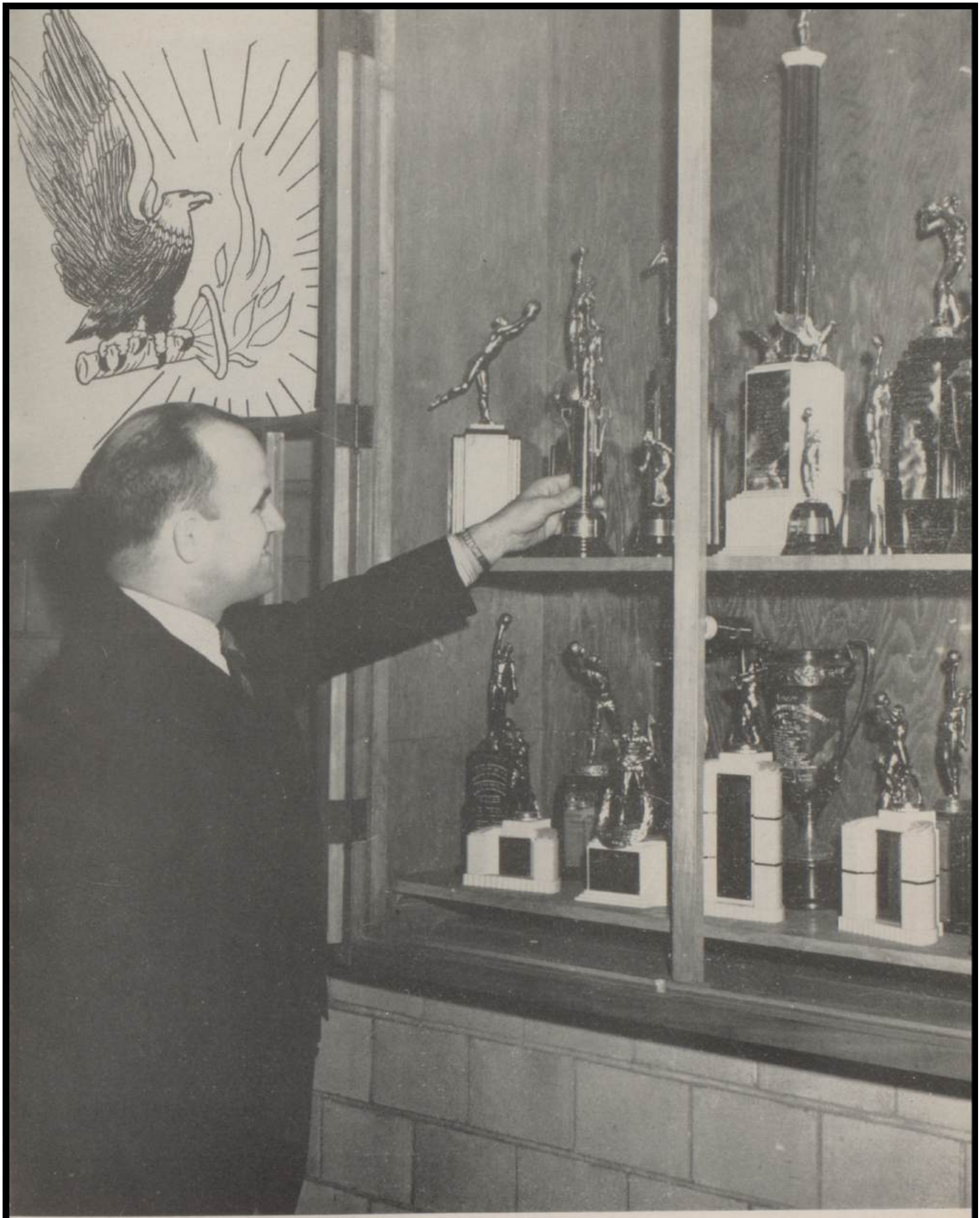
Third row—Ardella Shaver, Norma Daily, Charlotte Clemens, Mae Leathurby, Patsy Lazzaroni, Denise Nugent, Evelyn Evans, Geraldine Jablonski, Joann Harris, Julia Mast, Mildred Gray, Maureen Sulivan, June Fleming, Ruth Parsons.

Second row—Eileen Brown, Sally Fejes, Ethel Cook, Doris Brown, Neva Cutsinger, Yvonne Taylor, Marilyn Howell, Eleanore Schaffer, Marlene Scharf, Eileen Crocker, Leota Sanders.

Front row—Patricia Wallace, Nancy Fejes, John Blossom, Frances Hodge, Helen Maretich, Esther Demo, Ruth Adams; Mrs. Brown.

CARNIVAL

DANCE



ATHLETICS

Top row—Eddie Meister, Ray Larson, George David, Herbert Snell, William Hodge, Lester Hasse, Edwin Donovan, Donald Keele.

Second row—Leo O'Connor, Earl Cooper, Roy Lannom, Jesse Hodges, Norbert Mattingly, John Krupchak, Robert Riley, Manley Minard, Thomas Donovan.

Front row—Eddie Crystal, William Crago, Fred Huminik, Paul Husarik, William Malinoff, Ernest Benedict, Robert McDonald, Wesley Arington, Coach Baliff.

E MEN'S CLUB

After the nomination of officers at the beginning of the school year, the E Men's Club opened the season of Saturday night dances during the school year by giving the first dance.

Besides promoting athletics and a spirit of true sportsmanship in Edison High School, the members of the club took active part in recreational activities of the school. Each one of the club's members has earned a major letter in either basketball, baseball, or track. Each athlete is not required to earn a letter every year, but he must remain in good standing in athletics. The club consisted of twenty-five members.

The club concluded its eight years under the sponsorship of Coach Dayle Baliff and the following officers: William Crago, president; Edwin Donovan, vice-president; Manley Minard, secretary and treasurer.

Top row—Mr. Baliff, William Crago, Earl Cooper, Wesley Arington, Fred Huminik, Edwin Donovan, Mr. Boomershine.

Second row—Edward Meister, Eddie Crystal, Robert McDonald, Ray Larson, David Minard.

Front row—Donald Gustafson, manager.

VARSITY

Edison's favorite sport is basketball, which has the largest number of enthusiastic fan followers. Under the direction of Coach Doyle Baliff, the Varsity won four of the seventeen scheduled games this year. William Crago and Edwin Donovan were the outstanding basket shooters on the squad. During the season, the squad consisted of the following players:

William Crago—Varsity, 3 years; B-Team 1 year. Bill is an excellent dribbler and back guard.

Earl Cooper—Varsity, 1 year; B-Team 1 year. Earl is a fast little guard.

Wesley Arington—Varsity, 2 years; B-Team 2 years. Wes is a good forward.

Fred Huminik—Varsity, 1 year, B-Team 1 year. Fred is the starting center and tallest of the team.

Edwin Donovan—Varsity, 2 years; B-Team, 2 years. Ed is under-the-basket man.

Eddie Meister—Varsity. Eddie has played on the Varsity for only a short time and is developing into an under-the-basket man.

Eddie Crystal—Varsity. Eddie has played on the Varsity for a short time and is becoming an excellent rebound man.

Robert McDonald—Varsity, 1 year; B-Team, 1 year. Bud is fast and eager with the ball.

Ray Larson—Varsity. Ray is another "short-time" man on the Varsity and is developing into a very good pivot man.

David Minard—Varsity, 1 year. David is a good defensive and a hard-driving offensive man.

AWAY FROM HOME

AT HOME

Top row—George David, Robert Riley, Norbert Mattingly, Paul Husarik, Jesse Hodges, Mr. Baliff.
Front row—John Krupchak, Thomas Donovan, William Malinoff, Roy Lannom, Donald Keele.

B TEAM

Edison's B Team won fifty per cent of its scheduled games during the basketball season of 46-47. During the mid-season, three members of its team were promoted to Varsity standing. Ray Larson and Eddie Meister were the leading score men until they reached the Varsity flank. The line-up at the close of the season is as follows:

George David is developing into a good guard.

Robert Riley is developing into a good forward.

Norbert Mattingly is showing signs of becoming a good player.

Paul Husarik appears to be a good prospect for the Varsity.

Jesse Hodges is developing into a good pivot and rebound man.

John Krupchak is a good guard and ball handler.

Thomas Donovan is a good pivot man.

William Malinoff is an excellent offensive player.

Roy Lannom is a good and clever ball handler and backguard.

Donald Keele is the smallest member and is a good little player of the B Team.

Top row—Frank Grishka, Donald Walker, Donald Schleff, James Fletcher, James Webber, Alan Ganz, William Potts, Michael Lubeck.

Second row—Luther Schwager, Forrest Jackson, John Pahos, Jimmie Metz, Jack Prestrem, Charles Muzio, Marion Tuttle.

Front row—Donald Gustafson, manager.

FRESHMAN TEAM

The Freshman Team is Edison's promising outstanding Varsity of the future and should bring Edison back to its athletic reputation of former years under Coach Doyle Baliff's direction. Its "lone loss" of the season was to Merrillville in the Freshman Tourney.

James Webber, Donald Schleff, James Fletcher, and Frank Grishka were good pivot men on the team. Mike Lubeck, Alan Ganz, Marion Tuthill, William Potts, and Jimmie Metz were very good guards. Donald Walker, Forrest Jackson, John Pahos, Jack Prestrem, and Charles Muzio were very "good shot" men. Luther Schwager was the scrappy little ball player of the season.

CHEERLEADERS

Dorris Kimmel, Nancy Watts, Phyllis Larson, Yvonne Muzio.

FOOTBALL

Football was introduced at Edison this spring under the direction of Coach Thom, who came to us the second semester.

Coach Thom started from "scratch" to teach the boys the fundamentals and rules of the newly begun sport, such as proper procedure for blocking, tackling, ball landing, and footwork. Practice got under way, following the close of the basketball season, with Coach Thom finding out what positions the boys from the junior, sophomore, and freshman classes could hold best for the squad he expects to form next fall after the new football equipment has been purchased.

The organizations in Edison and the town of East Gary enthusiastically supported the "Spring Drive for Football Eqiupment."

As this annual goes to press, this year's baseball machine has not yet been organized; therefore, the results of the season cannot be determined. According to Coach Baliff's outstanding record of baseball teams during the past twelve years and with only three of last year's squad missing, the team should prove to be another champion.

BASEBALL

The veterans of last year, who are still in school, are: Wesley Arington, William Crago, Earl Cooper, Paul Husarik, Edward Crystal, Ray Larson, Edwin Donovan, Ernest Benedict, Jesse Walker, and Robert McDonald. With a vigorous pre-season practice session and a reinforcement of newcomers on the team, the season should prove to be a successful one.

TRACK

"Where's my shoes?" "Aw, quit yellin' and get out of here!" These and many other sayings too numerous to mention can be heard just before Track practice starts each evening after school during the spring season.

Track is probably the best conditioning sport in Edison under the direction of Coach Doyle Baliff. It offers an opportunity for a larger number of boys to participate than other competitive sports in which Edison participates.

The story of Track cannot be printed as the copy goes to press before the Track season, which comes at the close of the school year.

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